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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

What are you thinking? Since when are monopolies the norm in America? Competition is what keeps rates down and innovation alive. Nothing bad can come from that. In fact. Sonic.net in Santa Rosa, Ca provides great service at reasonable prices with 24 hr support (that is not offshore), and lots of American jobs! Last time I spoke with AT&T support, it was to someone in India. . . After being transferred three times. Perhaps you need to check out the competition before considering the death of broadband competition. You just might find better service and satisfaction for 1/2 the price than most telecom giants can or care to offer! Think carefully before you act. The country is watching and voting. . .

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